# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# LABOUR
# LOK SABHA

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CONSTRUCTION OF STAFF QUARTERS
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**Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the CAG had pointed out in its Report No. 4 of 2000 (Civil) that constuction of 185 Staff Quarters at a cost of Rs.1.54 crore and 160 type-ll staff quarters are still lying vacant since 1991;

(b) if so, whether his Ministry has conducted any enquiry into the matter; and

(c) if so, the outcome thereof and the action taken thereon?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI MUNI LALL)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): The ESI Corporation had purchased a piece of land atVasna, Ahmedabad in November, 1968 for the construction of staff quarters for its employees based in Ahmedabad. To begin with, 52 staff quarters were constructed. On the request from employees, the necessity of construction of more staff quarters for them was reviewed in the year 1982 and 185 staff quarters (Type I-8, Type II-160, Type III-8, Type IV-8 and Type V-I)were agreed to in priciple. This additional requirement was worked out with reference to the staff in position at that time vis-a-vis the norms of construction of staff quarters formulated by ESI Corporation.The quarters were constructed keeping in view the requirements as well as norms. Therefore, no need was felt for conducting any enquiry into the matter of constructing these staff quarters. The decline in demand for staff quarters and as a consequence, non utilization of 160 Type II staff quarters was as a result of increase in payment of House Rent Allowance to the employees.